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**Continuum of Care/Shelter Plus Care (CoC/SPC)
Quarterly Monitoring Report
Quarter 2 FY 2023 (October, November, December 2022)**

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program, known in Maine as the Shelter Plus Care Program (SPC), is a Permanent Supportive Housing Program (PSH) funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Maine's Continuum of Care system, designed to provide rental subsidies and supportive services to homeless individuals with disabilities. All units subsidized by SPC funding must meet the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Housing Quality Standards and Fair Market Rents. Following the ***Housing First*** evidence-based program model, SPC recipients are encouraged, but not required, to accept the provision of services to go hand in hand with the voucher.

The collaboration of local providers, municipalities, state agencies, the CoC, and the federal government is the backbone of existing Permanent Supportive Housing Programs. Program participants are encouraged to work towards greater stability and self-sufficiency by developing short- and long-term goals with their service providers. Service providers assist individuals with various housing related needs including communication with their landlord. Participants are encouraged to pursue services such as treatment, case management, educational and job training opportunities. OBH also recognizes that access to safe, decent, and affordable housing is a medical necessity for many persons with disabilities. Independent housing vouchers deliver real therapeutic value; promote consumer empowerment; support both civil and disability rights; and are demonstrated to be radically cost effective when compared to high cost, high intensity, institutionalized care.

SPC is administered throughout the State of Maine by four (4) Local Administrative Agencies (LAA), with each serving local communities in their area, as well as a Central Administrative Agency (CAA) that oversees the program on behalf of the Department. These agencies are as follows:

- Shalom House, Inc administers the program in York, Cumberland, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Knox, and Waldo Counties, while also providing statewide programmatic oversight as the CAA.
 - Common Ties Mental Health Services administers the program in Androscoggin, Oxford, and Franklin Counties.
 - Kennebec Behavioral Health administers the program in Kennebec and Somerset Counties.
 - Community Health and Counseling administers the program in Aroostook, Penobscot, Piscataquis, Hancock, and Washington Counties.
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SPC Waitlist

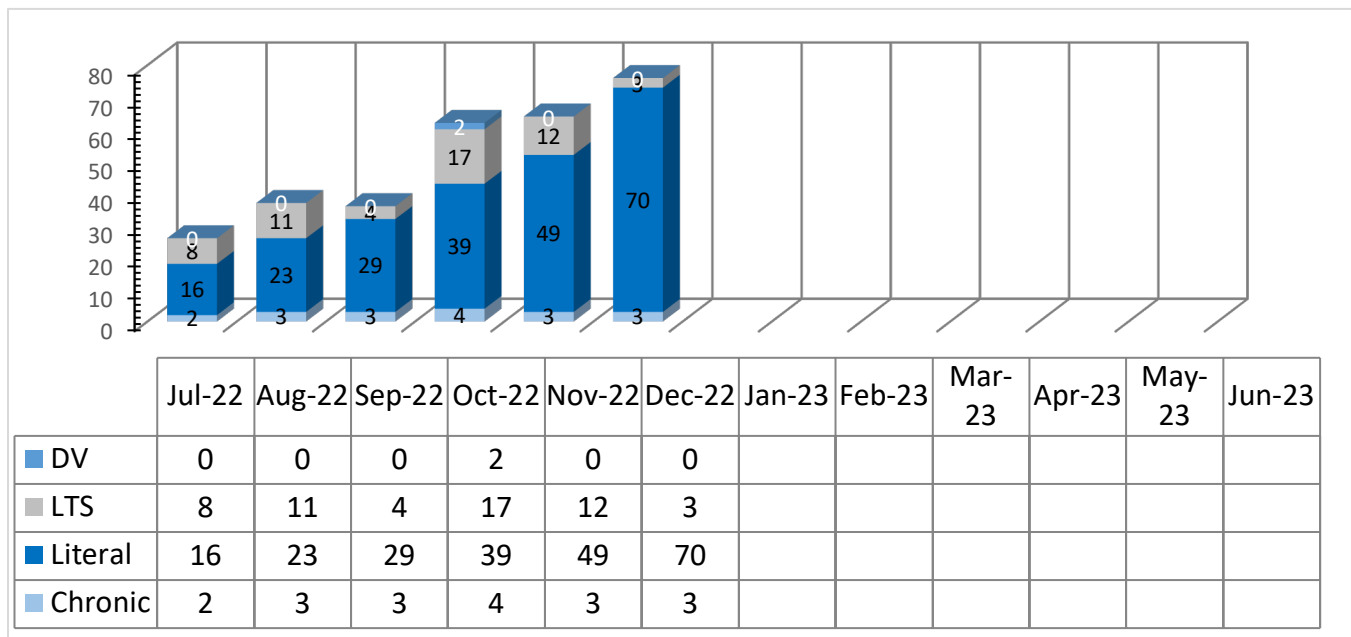
Currently, there is no waitlist for the SPC program. For this quarter, individuals who applied waited an average of three (3) business days before being awarded a voucher and were able to start looking for housing.

SPC Snapshot, as of December 31, 2022

In the 2nd Quarter of FY 2023, a total of **202** new SPC vouchers were awarded. Of those awarded, the total can be broken down as follows:

- Chronically Homelessness: **10** individuals who met HUD's chronic homeless definition, meaning an individual who has been homeless continuously for at least 12 months, or on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years where the combined occasions total at least 12 months.
- Long-Term Stayer: **32** individuals who met Maine's definition of Long-Term Stayer (LTS), meaning an individual who has been living in a place not designed for habitation, an emergency shelter, or hotel/motel with emergency funds for at least 180 nights (need not be consecutive) out of the past 365 nights.
- Literal Homelessness: **158** individuals who met HUD's literal homeless definition, meaning an individual who is living in a place not designed for habitation, an emergency shelter, hotel/motel with emergency funds, or residing in transitional housing for homeless persons and were homeless prior to entry.
- Domestic Violence: **2** individuals who met HUD's definition of fleeing or attempting to flee Domestic Violence (DV).

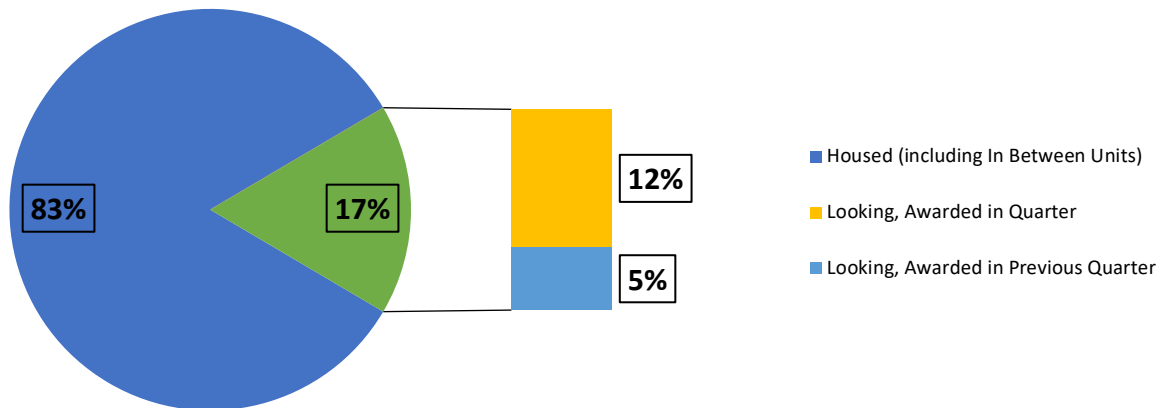
**SPC Vouchers Awarded by Month FY 2023 -- Graph:
Detail by Priority Status, by Month**



SPC Voucher Status

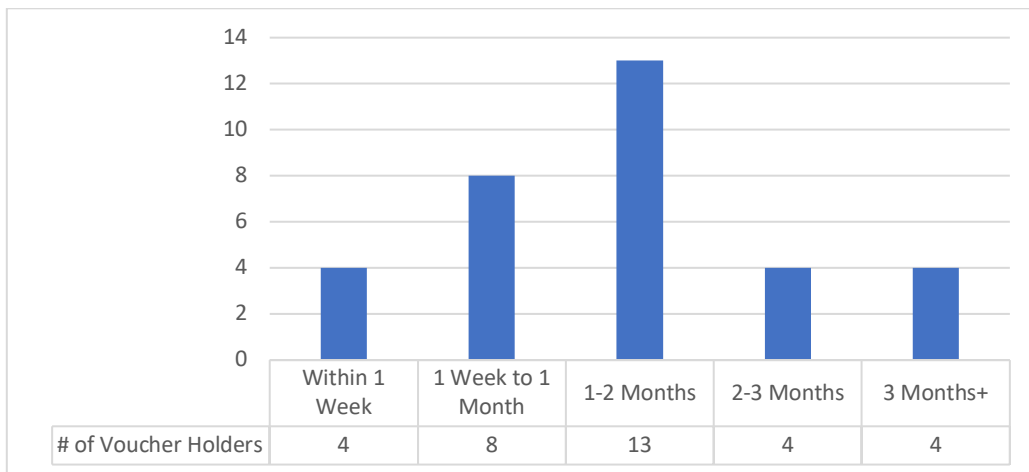
- As of December 31, 2022, a total of **1,129** individuals had active SPC vouchers:
 - **907** were housed or were active on the program, but in between units.
 - **33** of those housed were newly housed during the quarter.
 - As of the close of the quarter, **222** individuals were awarded, but had not yet found a unit.
 - **196** were awarded within the 2nd Quarter FY 2023.
 - **26** were awarded in the previous quarter and are nearing their time limit.

SPC Voucher Status Breakdown as of December 31, 2022 – Graph



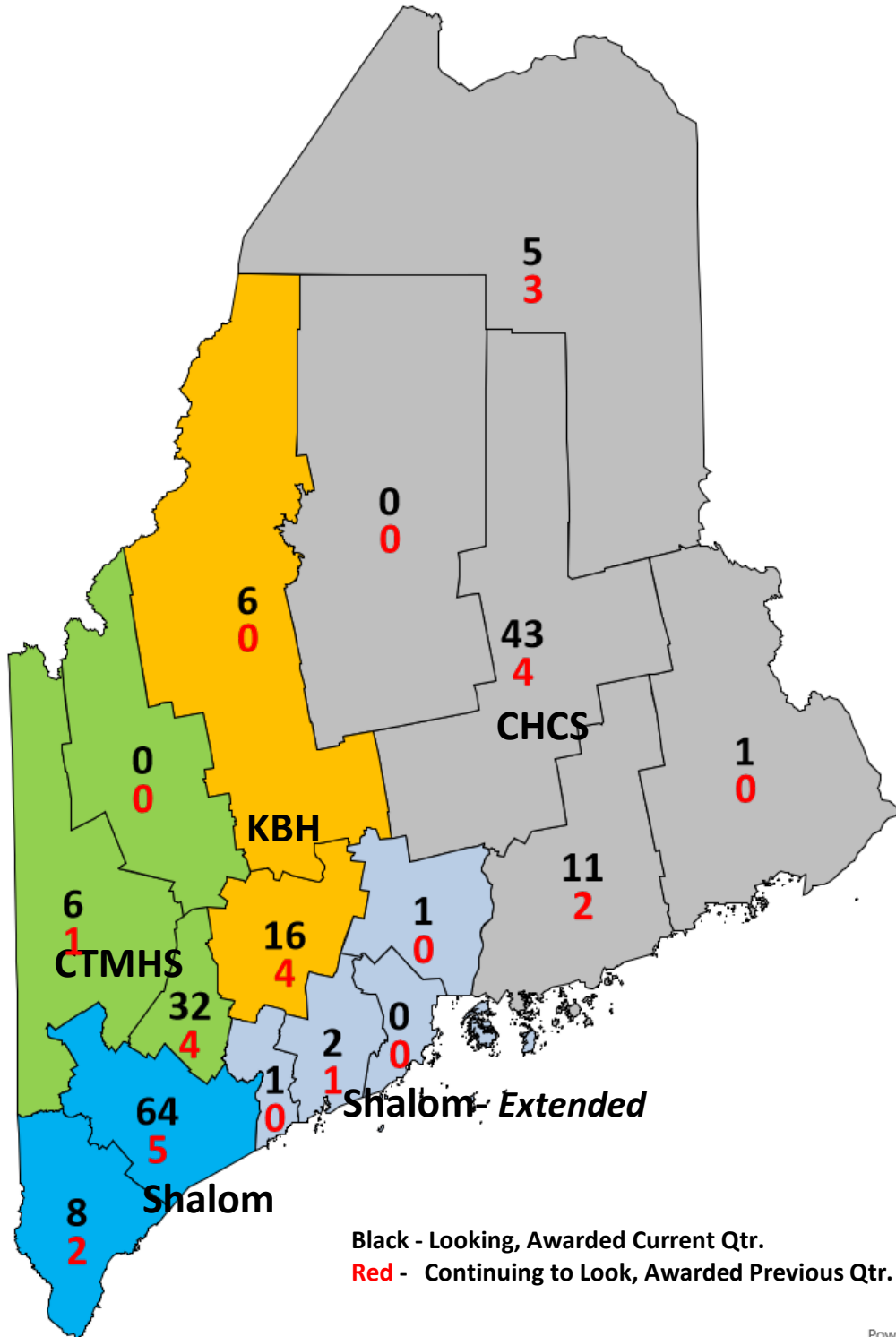
During the 2nd Quarter of FY 2023, the average length of time to be housed for those able to secure a unit was just over a month, with the shortest time being three (3) days, and the longest being just under four (4) months.

Length of Time to get Housed – Graph Newly Housed SPC Voucher Holders During Quarter



- **78** individuals who were awarded a SPC voucher were unable to find housing and reached the maximum amount of time to secure a unit and had their vouchers expired during the quarter.

Looking by Location as of December 31, 2022 – SPC Map
Number of SPC Vouchers Awarded and Still Looking for a Unit
Awarded this Quarter vs. Awarded in Previous Quarter



Black - Looking, Awarded Current Qtr.
Red - Continuing to Look, Awarded Previous Qtr.

SPC Voucher Breakdown **Housed, By Funding Grant**

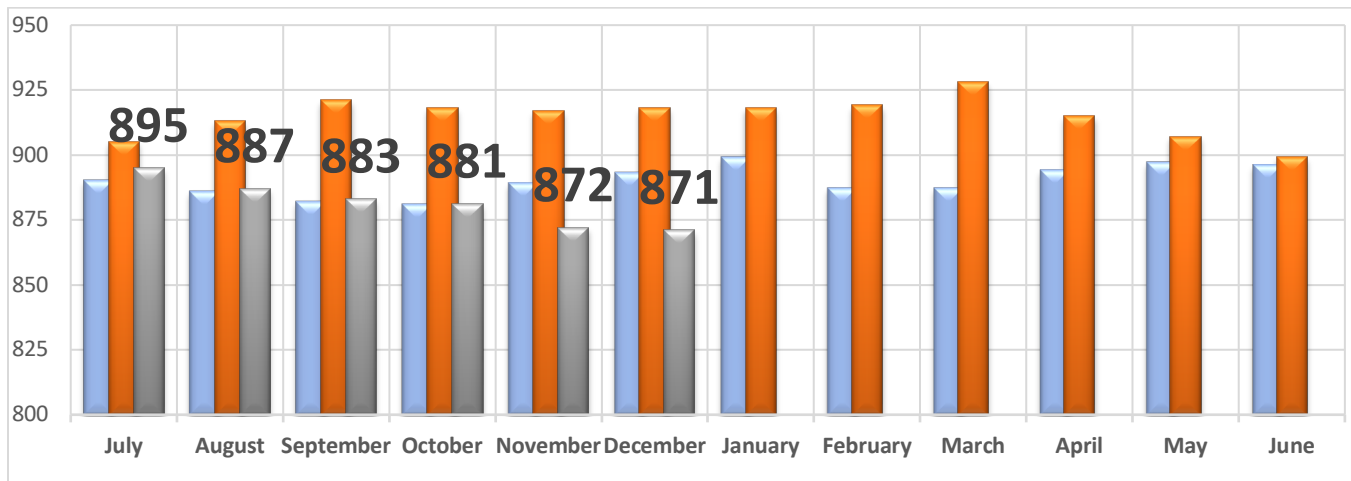
As of December 31, 2022, a total of **907** vouchers were housed with a SPC voucher or were in between units. As of the most recent HUD award, the program was allocated a total of **839** vouchers. With the ability to effectively leverage program funds, we were able to offer more vouchers than awarded, meaning that we have exceeded our allotted goal by more than **109%**.

Grant	Vouchers		Active vs Allotted
	Allocated	Active	
Maine 1	297	325	109%
Maine 2	211	219	104%
Maine 10	33	35	106%
Maine 23	43	43	100%
Penobscot 1	49	64	131%
Portland 12	12	12	100%
Portland 13	172	201	117%
Milbridge*	6	5	83%
YCSP*	16	7	44%
Totals	839	907	108 %

**Both grants are Sponsor-Based and utilization is contingent on sponsor facilities and availability.*

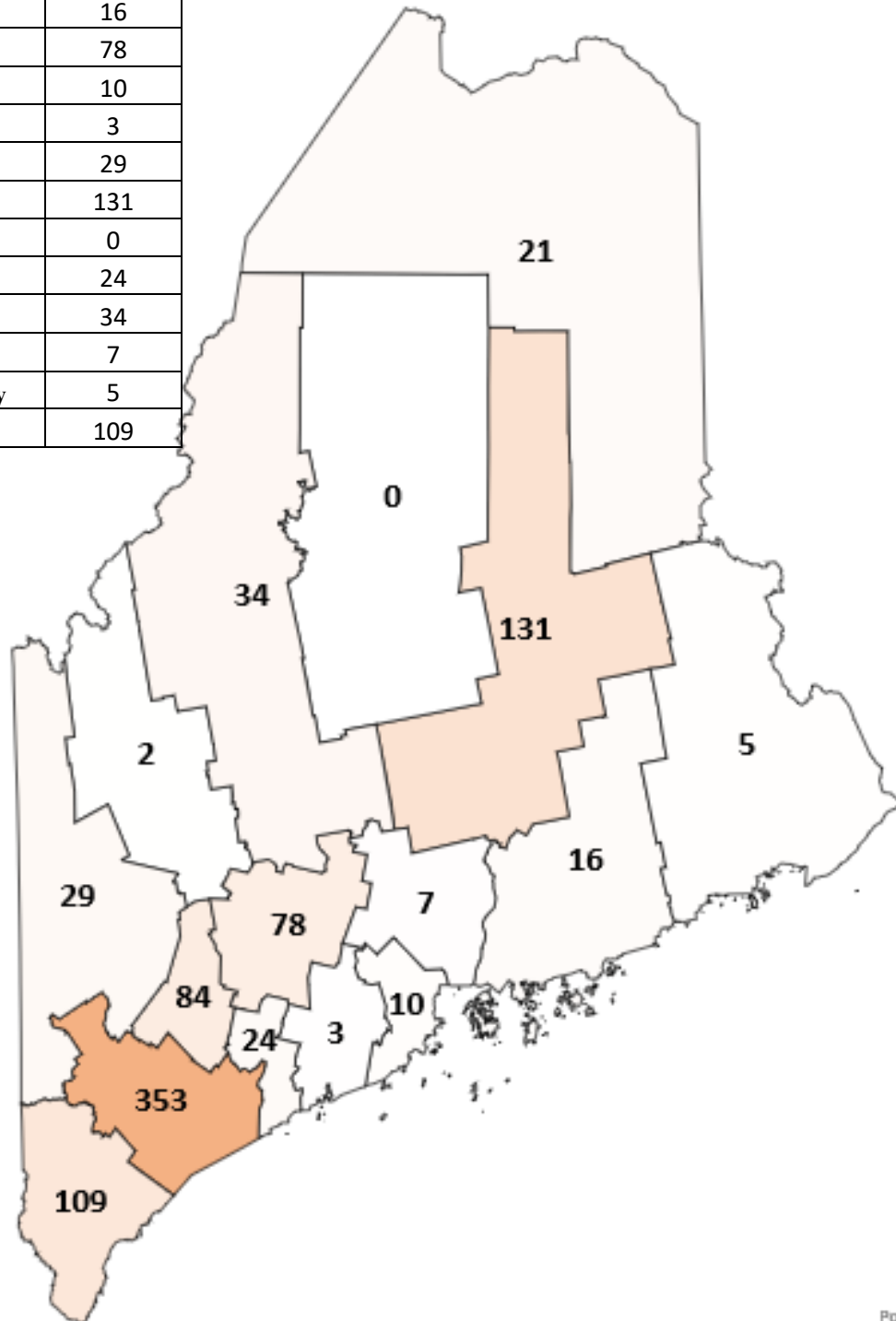
Housed as of December 31, 2022 - Graph

Number of SPC Voucher Holders Housed by Month, as of December 31, 2022
Detail by Previous 2 Fiscal Years this Quarter



SPC Housed Vouchers by Location as of December 31, 2022 - Map
Locations by County

County	Vouchers
Androscoggin Cty	84
Aroostook Cty	21
Cumberland Cty	353
Franklin Cty	2
Hancock Cty	16
Kennebec Cty	78
Knox Cty	10
Lincoln Cty	3
Oxford Cty	29
Penobscot Cty	131
Piscataquis Cty	0
Sagadahoc Cty	24
Somerset Cty	34
Waldo Cty	7
Washington Cty	5
York Cty	109

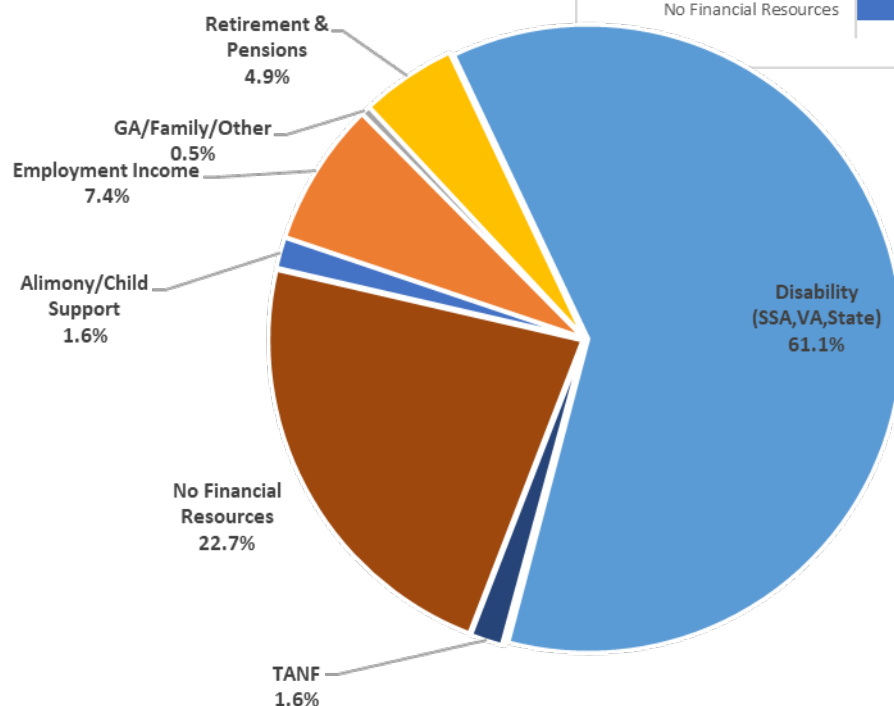
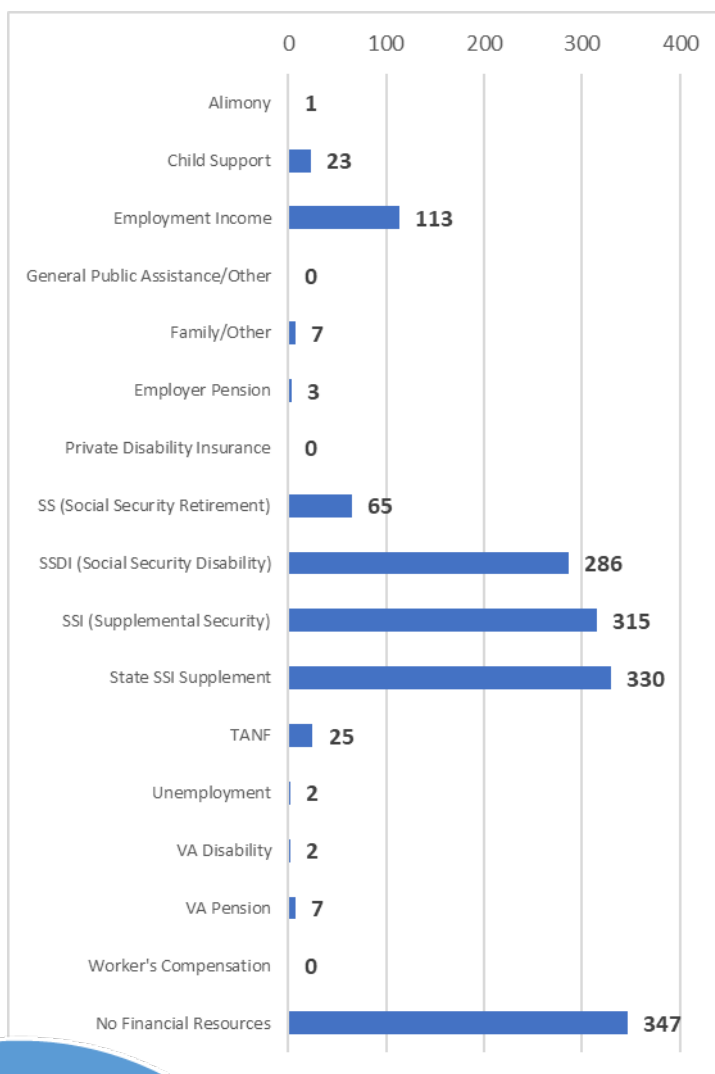


Income Summary

- As of December 31, 2022 the average monthly household income on the SPC program was **\$773.00**.

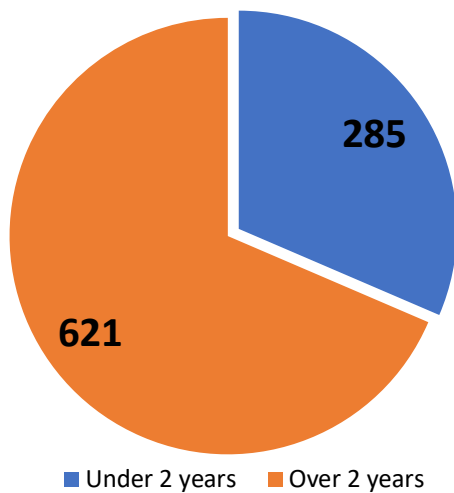
Income by Source – Graph All SPC Household Members

Source	Total Receiving	Average
Alimony	1	\$581
Child Support	23	\$399
Employment Income	113	\$1,585
General Public Assistance/Other	0	\$0
Family/Other	7	\$427
Employer Pension	3	\$119
Private Disability Insurance	0	\$0
SS (Social Security)	65	\$729
SSDI (Social Security Disability)	286	\$951
SSI (Supplemental Security)	315	\$628
State SSI Supplement	330	\$13
TANF	25	\$529
Unemployment	2	\$342
VA Disability	2	\$916
VA Pension	7	\$1,003
Worker's Compensation	0	\$0
No Financial Resources	347	

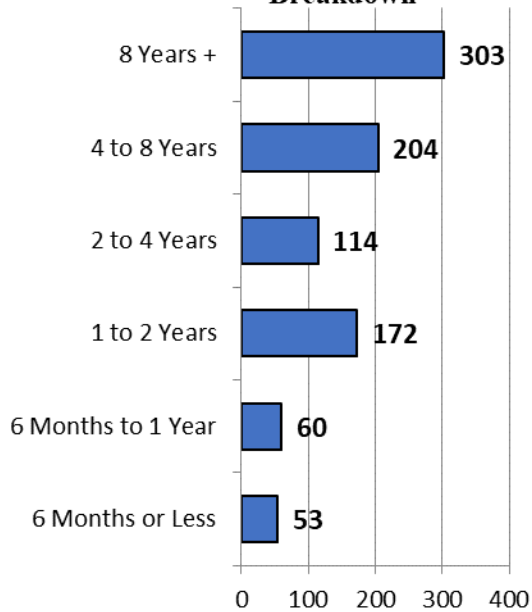


Length of Stay

Length of time on SPC program
2nd Qtr FY 2023



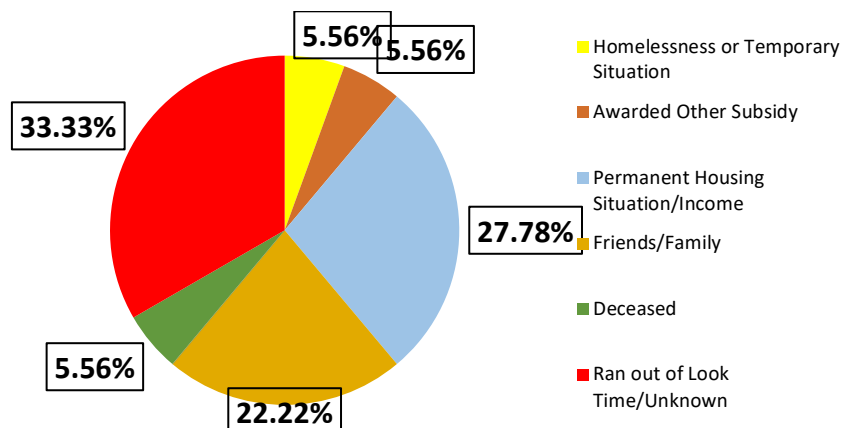
Length of time on SPC program
2nd Qtr FY 2023
Breakdown



SPC Program Outcomes

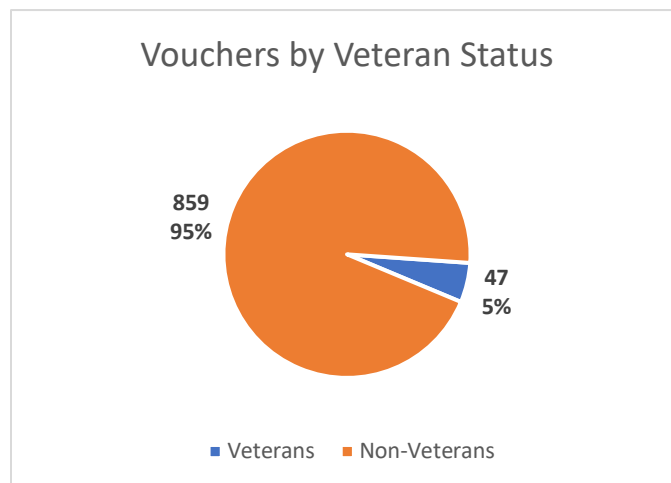
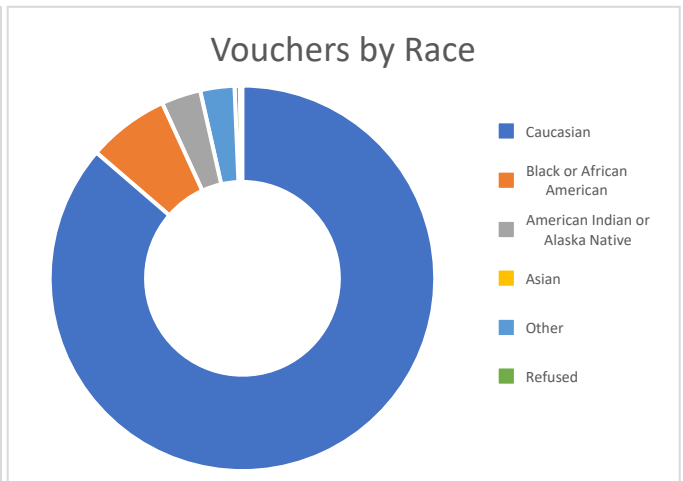
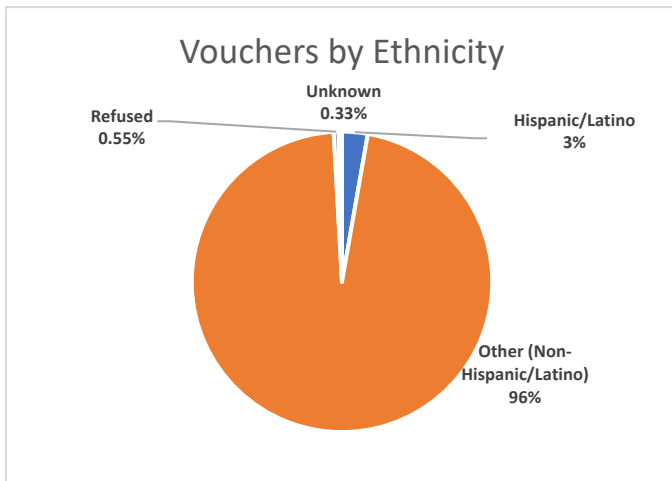
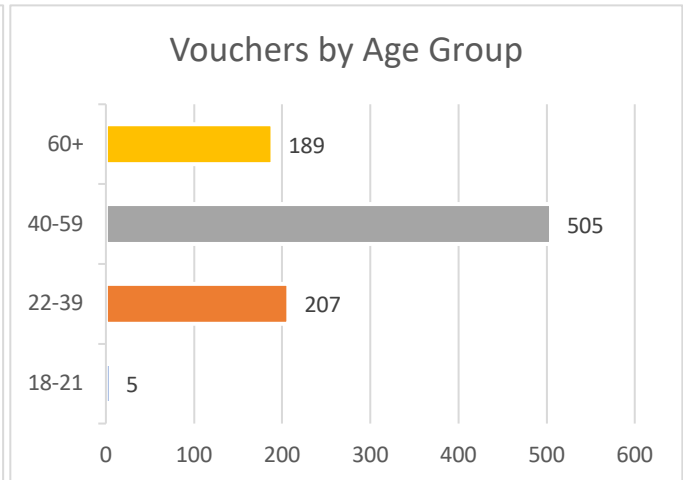
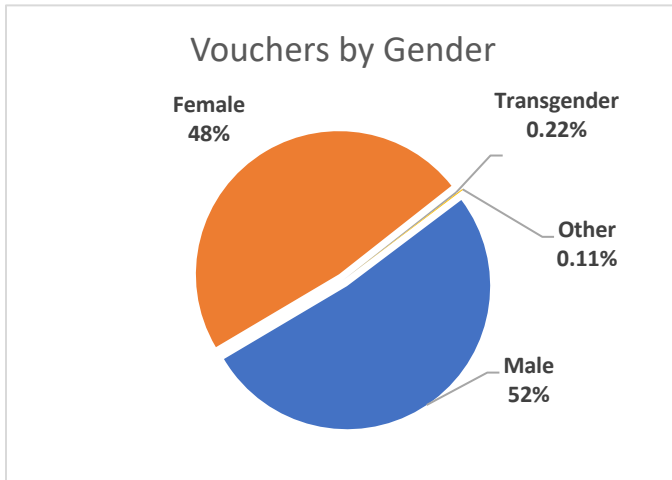
In the 2nd Quarter of FY 2023, **18** voucher holders who had been housed were terminated from the SPC program.

- Of those terminated, the destinations reported to the program were as follows:
 - 1** left to homelessness, or another temporary situation
 - 1** were awarded another permanent subsidy, such as Section 8
 - 5** left the program for a more permanent situation, or increased their household income and no longer need programmatic assistance
 - 4** moved in with friends or family
 - 0** were incarcerated or entered a long-term care facility/nursing care or hospital
 - 1** were programmatic terminations due to the head of household passing away
 - 6** moved out of their unit and ran out of look time



Demographics of those on SPC

- As of **December 31, 2022**, the demographic makeup of active voucher holders was as follows:



Ongoing Projects / Initiatives Addendum

Upcoming Trainings

- There are no currently scheduled trainings.

Program Monitoring

- **HUD CPD Monitoring FY 2022 – Findings related to Grant Match**

The CAA has drafted a new policies and procedures process to transition to recording Match by establishing Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with partner agencies in order to provide services directly to tenants in lieu of relying solely on MaineCare Data provided by the Department.

We are beginning the process of reaching out and negotiating partnership agreements with service providers throughout the state, as well as expanding how we capture services provided by the Local Administrative Agencies (LAAs).

- **CAA conducted FY 22 Monitoring / Site Visits of LAAs**

Projects

- The CAA is currently working towards enacting the Match process and procedures per the above-mentioned finding.
- The CAA is reviewing various documents to draft changes to make them more in line with program rules and best practices.
- The CAA has been working with MaineHousing and the CoC in order to pilot Coordinated Entry in select regions.